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REMARKS

In accordance with this supplemental response, independent claim 1 has been amended to specify that at least one of the opposite surfaces of the rotating member and the hollow member has been hardened by plastic deformation processing.

As discussed in the previous response, neither Chen nor Schumacher disclose a stainless steel which undergoes plastic deformation when pressing the surface with the result that the surface hardens. Further, neither reference teaches making the rotating member and/or hollow member of such a stainless steel, wherein one or both of the opposite surfaces of the rotating and hollow members have been hardened by plastic deformation processing.

For the foregoing reasons and for the reasons set forth in the previous response, the application is now believed to be in allowable form. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and passage of the application to issue are respectfully requested.

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